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## HONDURAS.

*Report from Puerto Cortez—Fruit port.*

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, October 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit my report for the week ended October 25, 1900, and inclose list of vessels inspected and cleared during the week.

The health and sanitary conditions of the port and adjacent country continues most satisfactory. One death from drowning was all reported for the week.

Respectfully,

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[Inclosure.]

*List of vessels inspected and cleared during week ended October 25, 1900.*

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Number of crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers.	Number of pieces baggage disinfected.
Oct. 21	Nor. ss. Fulton.....	Pettersen ...	14	Mobile, Ala.....	.....	.....
Oct. 24	Am. ss. Foxhall.....	Larsen.....	31	New Orleans, La....	4	7

## ITALY.

*Report from Naples—Smallpox at Resina.*

NAPLES, ITALY, October 24, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended October 24, the following ships were inspected:

October 19, the steamship *Kaiser Wilhelm II* of the North German Lloyd Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York.

There were inspected and passed 730 steerage passengers and 304 pieces of small and 900 pieces of large baggage. One hundred and seventy-six pieces of baggage were disinfected with steam and corrosive sublimate.

October 24, the steamship *Sardinian Prince*, bound with a general cargo for New York and Boston.

*Smallpox.*—The situation remains about the same as at the time of the last report. In Naples there have been no further cases reported. In Resina, a small town just outside of Naples, black smallpox has made its appearance.

Owing to the great amount of disinfection to be done at present and also to the fact that the disinfectors on the average ship do not meet the requirements of the quarantine regulations, the steamship companies have been notified that they would be expected hereafter to provide a place on shore or elsewhere in order that the work might be done with greater facility and thoroughness. Since then the disinfection has been done at the disinfecting station of the Italian Government, which has a good steam chamber.

Respectfully,

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